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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement					
1. Statement					
Novelty (N)	Claims 1-42	YES			
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Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-42 Claims NONE	YES NO			
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Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-42	YBS			
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